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In re application of

Hiroshi SHIMADA et al.

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Group 3725

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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Official Action mailed September 2, 2008, for which the period for response has been extended two months, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 13 of this paper.